



The National Park Service Fire Websites

Within the past year, the Fire Management Program Center has achieved the goal of having two national-level fire websites – one internal and one external. Both sites will continue to undergo changes as it becomes necessary for ease of use and accessibility.

The Fire Line recently became part of InsideNPS and is now database driven. Located at <http://inside.nps.gov/programs/fire>, the site contains information from different program areas as well as news items. Some program managers in Fire already have their own logins and passwords and with this, they have the ability to upload their own material and modify their section of the website. **If there is anything you would like to see on the internal website, let your national-level program manager know!**

The National Park Service Fire & Aviation Management website, previously FireNet (<http://www.nps.gov/fire>), will be fully redesigned in 2003. The new site will follow the redesign of the National Park Service website, ParkNet, and will be more fully integrated with “Park Profiles.” “Park Profiles” are used by park webmasters to inform the public about what is available at a particular park. In the near future, “Park Profiles” will include a section on Fire Management. Users will have the ability to send information not only to that park’s website, but also to the Fire & Aviation Management website. This is an exciting opportunity to obtain more visibility for fire programs in park sites as well as integrate with other program areas in the parks!


National Park Service Fire & Aviation Management - FireNet			
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<p>FIRE! The word brings to mind wildlife fleeing flames, a house ablaze, or a barren, charred landscape. Or we might recall the pleasure of watching logs burning in a fireplace or a roaring campfire. Over time humans have viewed fire as both friend and foe. American Indians used fire to clear forests for easier travel, to elude or fight enemies, to create habitat attractive to wildlife, and to cultivate harvestable wild plants. European immigrants cleared land with fire. Today farmers use fire to replenish nutrients in the soil to benefit their crops.</p> <p>Fire was seen as an enemy around 1900 when wildfires, often associated with poor land management practices, destroyed several American towns. The public demanded that all fires be suppressed. Yet, despite the best of efforts and the latest technology, fires cannot always be stopped, and scientists now know it is not always beneficial to stop them. To suppress all fire does not preserve natural landscapes; it changes them unnaturally.</p> <p>Today, government policies reflect both a commitment to public safety and the understanding that fire must be returned to its natural role in protected natural areas. National Park Service park managers still suppress fires that threaten lives and property. Now they also ignite fires to recreate or restore a healthy natural environment. Managing fire supports the National Park Service's mission to preserve the scenery and wildlife of parks unimpaired for future generations.</p>		 <p><i>"To conserve the scenery and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." - NPS Organic Act</i></p> 	

The interim design for the National Park Service Fire & Aviation Management Website that will be located at www.nps.gov/fire

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Fire and Aviation Management

The Basics


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- Director's Orders

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- Submit Information

Working together across all disciplines, Fire and Aviation Management is doing its part to carry out the NPS mission of protecting and preserving America's heritage.



Going on an interpretive walk of the White Wolf area at Yosemite National Park. National Park Service

Fire and Aviation Management provides the NPS with oversight and policy on both a national and regional level to ensure that departmental goals and objectives are met. In addition, Fire and Aviation Management is very involved in the interagency arena, working with federal and nonfederal partners on a daily basis.

Three separate functions are facilitated by Fire and Aviation Management - Wildland Fire, Structural Fire, and Aviation Management, each supporting an integral part of the overall fire program within the National Park Service. Wildland Fire supports hazard fuel reduction, Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) activities, Rural Fire Assistance (RFA), prevention and education, wildland fire use, research, training, safety, suppression activities, etc. Structural Fire is mainly concerned with the infrastructure in the national parks. Aviation Management is involved in suppression activities of fire, but also reaches for beyond fire management with

Program Areas


- Archives
- Aviation Management
- Budget
- Communication & Education
- Ecology
- Facilities Construction Fund
- Fire Displays Available for Loan
- Fire Management Leadership Board
- Fire Program Analysis
- Fuels Management
- Geospatial Technology (GIS/GPS)
- Information Technology
- Memos
- National Fire Plan
- Newsclips
- NIFC (National Interagency Fire Center) Maps
- Powerpoints
- Radios

The Fire Line became InsideNPS Fire & Aviation Management (<http://inside.nps.gov/programs/fire>). Program managers can upload to the website through use of a login and password system.

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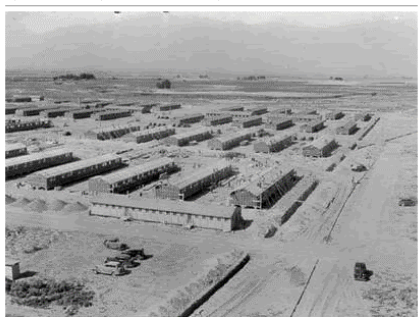
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Minidoka internment camp in Idaho.

MINIDOKA INTERNMENT NATIONAL MONUMENT

[NPS Begins Planning for New Site](#)

Public hearings on development of management plan to be held.

Director's Corner



October Message from the Director (WASO Reassignment)

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Poll

Which National Park site served briefly as the surface of an alien planet in *Star Trek: The Motion Picture*?

- ☐ Craters of the Moon NM
- ☐ Yellowstone NP
- ☐ Lava Beds NM
- ☐ Hot Springs NP

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Deputy Director Murphy's Thought for the Day

A hunch is creativity trying to tell you something.

- Anonymous

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[National Fire Plan Awards Nomination](#)

Six new National Fire Plan awards that recognize the work that has been accomplished through National Fire Plan implementation.

FIRE AND AVIATION MANAGEMENT

[Byte-sized Fire News - 10/28/2002](#)

News from the Fire Management Program Center contains information about the FY 2001 wildland fire report, the fire telephone directory, and a look at the interim redesign of the NPS Fire & Aviation Division website.

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[Earth & Sky Wildland Fire Stories](#)

Since 2000, the radio program Earth & Sky has featured over 10 stories related to fire. These informative short news stories are archived on the Earth & Sky website.

Reference Desk

- NPS Policies
- DOI Policies
- NPS Budget
- NPS Greenbook
- President's Budget
- Legislative & Congressional Affairs
- United States Code
- Code of Federal Regulations
- Federal Register
- Today in Congress
- International Affairs
- NPS Library Info Center
- NPS Graphics Identity Program
- Whistleblower

Fire and Aviation Management has been featured consistently on the front page of InsideNPS (<http://inside.nps.gov>), bringing the Fire Program to the attention of NPS employees in other disciplines. The front page on October 29, 2002 featured updates regarding the National Fire Plan, new information on the NPS Fire websites, and fire stories in the media.